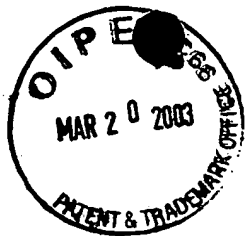


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In response to the Office Action dated October 8, 2002, Applicants respectfully request that the above-identified application be amended as follows: